by a person designated by CCC before it may be approved by CCC for the storage or handling of commodities and periodically thereafter to determine its compliance with CCC's standards and requirements.

## § 1423.5 Exceptions.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this subpart:

- (a) The financial, bond, and original and periodic warehouse examination provisions of this subpart do not apply to any warehouseman approved or applying for approval for the storage and handling of commodities under CCC programs if the warehouse is licensed under the U.S. Warehouse Act for such commodities, but a special examination shall be made of such warehouse whenever CCC determines such action is necessary.
- (b) A warehouseman who has a net worth of at least \$25,000 but who fails, or whose warehouse fails, to meet one or more of the other standards of this subpart may be approved if:
- (1) CCC determines that the warehouse services are needed and the warehouse storage and handling conditions provide satisfactory protection for the commodity, and
- (2) The warehouseman furnishes such additional bond coverage (or cash or acceptable negotiable securities or legal liability insurance policy) as may be prescribed by CCC.

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## § 1423.6 Approval of warehouse, requests for reconsideration.

(a) CCC will approve a warehouse if it determines that the warehouse meets the standards set forth in this subpart. CCC will send a notice of approval to the warehouseman. Approval under this subpart, however, does not relieve the warehouseman of the responsibility for performing the warehouseman's obligations under any agreement with CCC or any other agency of the United States.

- (b) Except as otherwise provided in this subpart:
- (1)  $\vec{CCC}$  will not approve the warehouse if  $\vec{CCC}$  determines that the warehouse does not meet the standards set forth in this subpart; and

(2) CCC will send any notice of rejection of approval to the warehouseman. The notice will state the cause(s) for such action. Unless the warehouseman or any officials or supervisory employees of the warehouseman are suspended or debarred, CCC will approve the warehouse if the warehouseman establishes that the causes for CCC's rejection of approval have been remedied.

(c) If rejection of approval by CCC is due to the warehouseman's failure to meet the standards set forth:

(1) In §1423.2, other than the standard set forth in paragraph (c)(2) thereof, the warehouseman may, at any time after receiving notice of such action, request reconsideration of the action and present to the Director, KCCO, in writing, information in support of such request. The Director shall consider such information in making a determination and notify the warehouseman in writing of such determination. The warehouseman may, if dissatisfied with the Director's determination, obtain a review of the determination and an informal hearing thereon by filing an appeal with the Deputy Administrator, Commodity Operations, Farm Service Agency (hereinafter referred to as "FSA"). The time of filing appeals, forms for requesting an appeal, nature of the informal hearing, determination and reopening of the  $\check{\text{h}}\text{earing}$  shall be as prescribed in the FSA regulations governing appeals, 7 CFR part 780. When appealing under such regulations, the warehouseman shall be considered as a ''participant'''; and (2) In §1423.2(c)(2), the warehouse-

(2) In §1423.2(c)(2), the warehouseman's administrative appeal rights with respect to suspension and debarment shall be in accordance with applicable CCC regulations. After expiration of a period of suspension or debarment, a warehouseman may, at any time, apply for approval under this subpart.

[Amdt. 3, 50 FR 42513, Oct. 21, 1985]

## § 1423.7 Exemption from requirements.

(a) If warehousing services in any area cannot be secured under the provisions of this subpart, and no reasonable and economical alternative is available for securing such services, the President or Executive Vice President, CCC, may exempt, in writing, applicants in such area from one or more of the